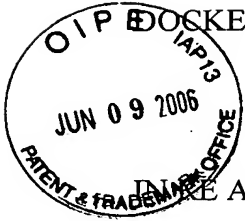


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COMPRISING THE SAME:

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2006, reconsideration is
respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this response.

Support for the Amendments begins on page 7 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this response.